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SUBJECT: CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFDAC

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1. AS PART OF OUR ONGOING CONSULTATIONS WITH HOME OFFICE
ON NARCOTICS MATTERS, WE RAISED QUESTION ON MARCH 29 OF
UK CONTRIBUTION TO UNFDAC. GEOFFREY DEDENEY. HEAD, DRUGS
BRANCH, HOME OFFICE, SAID THAT HE IS FULLY AWARE OF U.S.
CONCERNS AND THAT HE HAS BEEN IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH
FOREIGN OFFICE AND OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY OFFICIALS
ON THIS ISSUE. ACCORDING TO DEDENEY, ODM HAS A PROPOSAL
IN THE PIPELINE TO PARTICIPATE UNDER UNFDAC AUSPICES IN A
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TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM AT BADAQSHAN IN AF-
GHANISTAN. PRESENT PLANS ARE FOR UK TO CONTRIBUTE FROM
50 TO 100,000 POUNDS OF BILATERAL GRANT AID TO PROJECT.
UNFORTUNATELY, ODM HAS NOT FINALIZED DETAILS IN KABUL AND
THUS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO FORMALLY ANNOUNCE CONTRIBUTION
BEFORE APRIL 14.

2. DEDENEY SAID THAT AT THE CND MEETING IN GENEVA AN INFORMAL UNDERSTANDING WAS AGREED UPON BETWEEN THE U.S., FRANCE, FRG, JAPAN, CANADA AND AUSTRALIA TO INSTITUTE ONGOING DIALOGUE WITH UNFDAC DIRECTOR GENERAL DEBUES IN ORDER TO INSURE (A) THAT UNFDAC'S FINANCIAL OPERATIONS AND BUDGET ARE RATIONALIZED AND PUT INTO SOME UNDERSTANDABLE FORM, AND (B) THAT UNFDAC FINANCIAL DATA BE REVIEWED MORE THAN ONCE A YEAR. FIRST SUCH REVIEW WAS HELD AT END OF CND MEETING. IF THIS SYSTEM WORKS OUT, DEDENEY BELIEVES THAT ACCOUNTABILITY TO DONORS WILL BE MUCH BETTER. IMPROVED ACCOUNTABILITY IS FUNDAMENTAL TO ANY UK DECISION TO RETURN TO DIRECT ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND.

3. DEDENEY ALSO RAISED PROBLEM OF UNFDAC FUNDING AT POMPIDOU GROUP MEETING IN PARIS ON MARCH 25. HE TOLD THE GROUP THAT IF ITS MEMBERS CAN RESPOND FAVORABLY TO THE FUND APPEAL, THEY SHOULD MAKE THEIR INTENTIONS KNOWN BY APRIL 14. ACCORDING TO DEDENEY, RESPONSE WAS SOMEWHAT LESS THAN LIVELY. FRG REP DID POINT OUT, HOWEVER, THAT VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION SCHEME AS PRESENTLY CONSTITUTED WAS NOT GOOD ENOUGH. HE ARGUED THAT UNFDAC FUNDS SHOULD BE MADE PART OF REGULAR UN BUDGET. SWEDISH AND ITALIAN DELEGATES ALSO MADE BRIEF SUPPORTING STATEMENTS.

4. WE WILL FOLLOW UP APPROACH TO DEDENEY WITH ONE TO ODM AND URGE THAT AT A MINIMUM THEY ANNOUNCE INTENTION TO CONTRIBUTE TO AFGHANISTAN PROJECT UNDER UNFDAC UMBRELLA BEFORE APRIL 14 EVEN IF SIZE OF CONTRIBUTION IS NOT YET FIXED.

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